Richardsons
Chartered Accountants
30 Upper High Street
Thame
Oxfordshire
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## Dear Richardsons.

This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 2023 for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

We confirm that the following representations are made on the basis of enquiries of the directors, management and staff with relevant knowledge and experience (and, where appropriate, of inspection of supporting documentation) sufficient to satisfy ourselves that we can properly make each of the following representations to you:

- 1. We have fulfilled our responsibilities as directors under the Companies Act 2006 for preparing financial statements, in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.
- 2. We confirm that in our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view and in particular that where any additional information must be disclosed in order to give a true and fair view that information has in fact been disclosed. We confirm that the selection and application of the accounting policies used in the preparation of the financial statements are appropriate, and we approve these accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023.
- 3. We confirm that all accounting records have been made available to you for the purposes of your audit, in accordance with your terms of engagement, and that all transactions undertaken by the company have been properly reflected and recorded in the accounting records. All other records and related information, including minutes of all management and shareholders' meetings, have been made available to you. We have given you unrestricted access to persons within the company in order to obtain audit evidence and have provided any additional information that you have requested for the purposes of your audit.
- 4. We acknowledge that it is a criminal offence to make a false statement in this regard, and where any director either makes a false statement; is aware that the statement is false; is reckless in preventing this statement; or fails to take reasonable steps to prevent the directors' report from being approved, we acknowledge that each director will be guilty of a criminal offence.
- 5. The directors confirm that there is no ultimate controlling party.
- 6. We confirm the company has satisfactory title to all assets and there are no liens or encumbrances on the assets, except for those disclosed in the financial statements.
- 7. We confirm that the methods, significant assumptions and data used by us in making accounting estimates, and the related disclosures, are appropriate to achieve recognition, measurement or disclosure that is in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.
- 8. We confirm that we have no plans or intentions that may materially alter the carrying value and, where relevant, the fair value measurements or classification of assets and liabilities reflected in the financial statements.
- 9. We confirm that the company has no liabilities or contingent liabilities other than those disclosed in the financial statements.

- 10. We confirm that all known actual or possible litigation and claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements have been disclosed to you and accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework Companies Act 2006.
- 11. We confirm that there have been no events since the balance sheet date which require disclosing or which would materially affect the amounts in the financial statements, other than those already disclosed or included in the financial statements.
- 12. We confirm that we are aware of the definition of a related party for the purpose of the accounting framework being applied in the preparation of the accounts.

We confirm that the related party relationships and transactions set out below are a complete list of such relationships and transactions and that we are not aware of any further related parties or transactions.

BBF – common director – operational and service delivery, covered by MOU between the two companies

Pinewood Group - support for Planning Application

Epilepsy Society - common director - Joint commission for business planning work

Satellite Applications Catapult - common director - Local Growth Awards and Loan Funding

Buckinghamshire Advantage - common director - EZ funding for Woodlands project

- 13. We confirm that all related party relationships and transactions have been accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework. (Companies Act 2006)
- 14. We confirm that the company neither had, at any time during the year, any arrangement, transaction or agreement to provide credit facilities (including advances and credits granted by the company) for directors, nor provided guarantees of any kind on behalf of the directors.
- 15. We confirm that the company has not contracted for any capital expenditure other than as disclosed in the financial statements.
- 16. We confirm that the company has complied with all aspects of contractual agreements that could have a material effect on the financial statements in the event of non-compliance.
- 17. We confirm that we are not aware of any possible or actual instance of non-compliance with those laws and regulations which provide a legal framework within which the company conducts its business and which are central to the company's ability to conduct its business, except as explained to you and as disclosed in the financial statements.
- 18. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation and maintenance of controls to prevent and detect fraud. We confirm that we have disclosed to you the results of our risk assessment of the risk of fraud in the business.

There have been no deficiencies in internal control of which we are aware.

- 19. We confirm that there have been no actual or suspected instances of fraud involving management, employees who have a significant role in internal control or others that could have a material effect on the financial statements. We also confirm that we are not aware of any allegations of fraud by employees, former employees, analysts, regulators or others.
- 20. We confirm that, in our opinion, the company's financial statements should be prepared on the going concern basis on the grounds that current and future sources of funding or support will be more than adequate for the company's needs. In reaching this conclusion, we have taken into account all relevant matters of which we are aware, including the availability of working capital and have

considered a future period of at least one year from the date on which the financial statements will be approved. In particular, we have considered the impact of the Government letter stating the end of support of LEPs.

- 21. We confirm that in our opinion the effects of uncorrected misstatements are immaterial, both individually and in aggregate, to the financial statements as a whole. A list of the uncorrected misstatements is attached to this letter.
- 22. We confirm that we are not aware of any matters of material significance that should be reported to regulators. We confirm that all correspondence with have been made available to you.
- 23. We confirm the following specific representations made to you during the course of your audit relating to the estimated figures within the budget, of which we were unable to provide backing for.
  - a. We are confirm that the budgeted figures are appropriate and representative of the actual expenditure and income expected in the next 12 months.
- 24. We acknowledge our legal responsibilities regarding disclosure of information to you as auditors and confirm that:
  - a. so far as each director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which you as auditors are unaware, and
  - b. each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that you are aware of that information
- 25. We acknowledge that it is a criminal offence to knowingly or recklessly make you as an auditor, a statement (oral or written) that conveys, or purports to convey, information or explanations that you require in your capacity as auditor, or are entitled to require, that is misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular.

Todis faithfully,
Director On behalf of the board of Buckinghamshire Local Enterprise Partnership Limited
Date:
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Vours faithfully